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Hampstead
for the
year ending
March 1, 1882

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ANNUAL REPORT

—OF—

SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

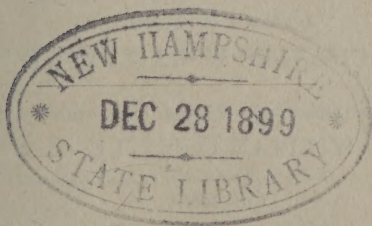
—AND—

Superintending School Committee

—OF THE—

Town of Hampstead,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1882.



EXETER, N. H. :
THE GAZETTE STEAM PRINTING HOUSE.
1882.

OFFICERS BIENNIALLY ELECTED.

Representative to the General Court.

ALBERT L. EASTMAN.

Supervisors of the Check List.

DANIEL F. ORDWAY,

NATHAN JOHNSON,

JAMES H. EMERSON.

TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED ANNUALLY.

Town Clerk.

ALFRED W. FOOTE.

Selectmen.

AARON H. DAVIS,

JOSEPH H. GRANT,

DANIEL N. HOYT.

Treasurer.

ALFRED P. EMERSON.

Collector of Taxes.

CHARLES W. BAILEY.

Superintending School Committee.

WILLIAM C. LITTLE.

Constable.

LUTHER WEBBER.

Auditors.

JOHN D. ORDWAY, NATHAN JOHNSON.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.

RECEIPTS.

From C. W. Bailey, Treasurer for	
1880,	\$116 26
C. W. Bailey, Treasurer for 1880,	
dog tax,	17 00
Selectmen, abatement on State tax of	
1881,	88 00
Selectmen, remittance on State tax of	
1880,	88 00
Selectmen, Railroad tax,	125 63
“ Savings Bank tax,	557 18
“ Literary fund,	64 07
Nathan Johnson, collector for 1880,	
	1290 14
Nathan Johnson, collector for 1880,	
dog tax,	27 00
Nathan Johnson, collector for 1880,	
interest,	35 47
Selectmen, for taxes redeemed,	33 30
“ Money hired for the use	
of the town,	1821 00
Selectmen, for use of town hall,	18 20

From H. C. Little Post G. A. R., for	
one-half cord wood,	2 00
County, for support of paupers,	39 38
County Treasurer, abatements on Coun-	
ty tax for 1880 and 1881,	263 09
Town clerk, for lot in cemetery,	4 00
Selectmen for running gear and har-	
ness, belonging to old hearse,	15 50
C. W. Bailey, Collector for 1881,	5951 54
C. W. Bailey, Collector for 1881,	
dog tax,	18 00
C. W. Bailey, Collector for 1881,	
interest,	23 11

\$10597 87

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid State and County tax,	2514 81
School money,	1254 11
Support of paupers,	498 13
Public watering places,	15 00
Undertakers,	30 00
Pathing snow,	165 97
Non-resident highway tax,	83 81
Notes and interest,	4390 74
Roads and bridges,	45 60
Bounties,	2 20
Miscellaneous,	217 09
Town officers,	436 88
Dog tax in treasury,	62 00
Cash in treasury,	908 53

\$10597 87

ALFRED P. EMERSON, Treasurer.

TAXES PAID.

State tax,	1008 00	
County tax,	1506 81	
		\$2514 81

SCHOOL MONEY.

District No. 1,	\$214 51	
“ 2,	310 60	
“ 3,	137 50	
“ 4,	276 52	
“ 5,	63 00	
“ 6,	111 91	
“ 7,	140 07	
		\$1254 11

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

For child of Laura J. Tarlton,	\$28 00	
Annie Hunt,	9 38	
Albert W. Ayer,	130 00	
Anna Bell Haselton,	135 00	
Wm. P. Brown,	195 00	
Transient paupers,	75	
		\$498 13

UNDERTAKERS.

William A. Little,	\$22 50	
George Allen,	1 50	
George W. Keezer,	4 50	
Job J. Tabor,	1 50	
		\$30 00

PUBLIC WATERING PLACES.

F. A. Pike,	\$3 00	
George Allen,	3 00	
Daniel Nichols,	3 00	
Amos Atwood,	3 00	
Francis Merrick,	3 00	
		\$15 00

PATHING SNOW.

Albert H. Little,	\$8 20
Joseph H. Grant,	9 95
Eben Hoyt,	18 70
George Marston,	16 73
George H. Titcomb,	22 69
Nelson Ordway,	5 95
Edwin G. Johnson,	1 42
James B. Johnson,	3 90
F. A. Pike,	3 50
Benj. F. Rowe,	18 15
Jesse O. Bailey,	60
Luther Chase,	9 60
Fred S. Sargent,	9 70

Wm. H. Page,	4 00	
John D. Ordway,	10 75	
Daniel Maly,	83	
Moses C. Wilson,	2 17	
Wm. H. Brown,	53	
Wm. Griffin,	17 60	
Wm. Sanborn,	1 00	
		\$165 97

NON-RESIDENT HIGHWAY TAX.

William H. Page, Dist. No. 4,	\$8 06	
“ “ “ for 1880,	10 24	
George Marston, “ 6,	8 18	
Benj. F. Rowe, “ 7,	7 37	
Luther Chase, “ 8,	7 30	
Eben Hoyt, “ 9,	11 89	
Joseph H. Grant, “ 10,	24 56	
Joseph H. Grant, “ 11,	6 21	
		\$83 81

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Sundry Notes and Interest,	\$4390 74
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ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Eben Hoyt, repairs on Page road,	\$2 50
Edwin G. Johnson cutting bushes by highway,	2 00
Isaac Roundy, relaying culvert,	6 00
Joseph H. Grant, labor on Brown Hill road,	18 02

Benj. F. Rowe, repairs on hill by Nathan Johnson's,	16 20	
E. E. Currier, plank for bridge,	88	
		\$45 60

BOUNTIES.

Wallace P. Noyes, bounty on one crow,	10	
Joseph H. Grant paid bounty on 9 crows,	90	
Alexander King, " 1 hen hawk,	20	
John G. Rowe, " 1 "	20	
Joseph H. Grant, paid " 4 "	80	
		\$2 20

MISCELLANEOUS.

Nathan Johnson, for land sold for taxes and bought by the town,	71 24	
Wingate & Shaw, for printing town reports for 1881,	28 00	
Job J. Tabor, ringing bell, and care of hall,	38 00	
Wood for town hall,	4 00	
Supplies for town hall,	10 03	
Lantern for town hall, and repairs on stoves,	5 30	
Wm. A. Little, covering for hearse, etc.,	7 47	
Thomas Foote, box for coffin, Wm. P. Brown,	2 00	
George E. Lane, for blank books,	1 85	
J. H. Baker, for tax bills,	1 40	
C. E. Sturges, hearse harness,	30 00	
G. C. & G. K. Bartlett, counsel,	2 00	
Wm. Sanborn, Wood for hall,	4 00	

Wm. A. Emerson, express on harness,	25
Wm. A. Little, for bringing body of Wm. P.	
Brown from Brentwood,	6 00
Benj. E. Woodman, recording births and	
deaths,	4 75
Aaron H. Davis, for stationery,	80

\$217 09

TOWN OFFICERS.

John D. Ordway, services as Moderator,	2 00
Luther Webber " Constable,	2 00
Daniel F. Ordway, " Supervisor,	6 00
Nathan Johnson, " "	6 00
James H. Emerson, " "	6 00
Josiah C. Eastman, " " 1880,	12 00
Alfred W. Foote, town clerk,	25 00
Alfred P. Emerson, town treasurer,	50 00
Wm. C. Little, S. S. Committee,	35 00
Charles W. Bailey, Collector of taxes,	114 58
Aaron H. Davis, Selectman,	73 70
Joseph H. Grant, "	56 00
Daniel N. Hoyt, "	25 00
Aaron H. Davis, horse hire,	6 60
Daniel N. Hoyt, horse hire,	3 00
Aaron H. Davis, pauper business,	4 00
Joseph H. Grant, pauper business,	5 00
Auditors expenses,	5 00

\$436 88

SELECTMEN'S STATEMENT.

Dr. Total amount of taxes assessed,	\$7638 49
Cr. Taxes committed to Charles W. Bailey for collection,	\$7638 49

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

On Nathan Johnson's book for 1880 :

Charles P. Tabor, poll & school house tax,	\$2 09	
Hiram F. Russell, overtax,	1 00	
Leonard M. Hoyt,	2 79	
George A. Davis, poll and school house tax,	2 09	
Francis Merrick, on account of keeping public watering place,	3 00	
Mary J. Carter, overtax,	1 00	
Daniel Seavey,	4 00	
		\$15 97

On Charles W. Bailey's book for 1881 :

William Haselton, overtax,	3 00	
Richard Sargent, "	2 25	
Moses B. Stevens, "	45	
John Roberts, poll tax,	2 00	
Benj. F. Rowe, on female dog,	2 00	
Eben Hoyt, on dog,	1 00	
		\$10 70

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Total amount of town debt being out stand- ing notes with accrued interest there- on to March 1, 1882,	\$14950 51
Due school Dist. No. 5,	115 78
	\$15066 29

ASSETS.

Due from Nathan Johnson's book 1880,	\$6 76	
“ Charles W. Bailey's book 1881,	1632 92	
“ United States bounties,	776 40	
Unredeemed land sold for taxes and bought by the town,	37 94	
Dog tax in Treasury,	62 00	
Cash “	881 53	\$3397 55
Balance being town debt March 1, 1882,		\$11668 74

REDUCTION OF TOWN DEBT.

Indebtedness March 1, 1881,	\$14560 67
“ “ 1882,	11668 74
Reduction of town debt the past year,	\$2891 93

AARON H. DAVIS,	} Selectmen of Hampstead.
JOSEPH H. GRANT,	
DANIEL N. HOYT,	

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

Hampstead N. H., Feb. 27, 1882.

The Auditors of the town find the accounts of the Treasurer and Selectmen accurately kept, correctly computed and properly vouched for.

JOHN D. ORDWAY, }
NATHAN JOHNSON, } Auditors.

THE ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Superintending School Committee.

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DISTRICT NO. 1.

HENRY NOYES, Prudential Committee.

Teacher for first and second terms, Miss Mary D. Webster, an experienced and faithful teacher, admirably fitted for her work. The school in her hands, was quiet, orderly, pleasant and profitable. The winter term was taught by Miss Mary L. Thomas. The teacher labored diligently for the advancement of her pupils in their several studies, but it was her second school and like many young teachers failed in her efforts to properly govern it, and as good discipline is essential to thorough work in any school, this term, although pleasant to the pupils, was not as profitable as the preceding ones.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Alfred P. Emerson, *Prudential Committee*.

The first and second terms of the schools were taught by Miss Laura P. Leach. The practical and common-sense method of instruction pursued by this teacher was productive of the best results. The third term was commenced by Miss Clara A. Lane who came highly recommended and doubtless would have succeeded in other schools in town, but was not adapted to this one. After a trial of three weeks she voluntarily retired from the situation. The remainder of the term was in charge of Miss Phebe A. McGuire. Fortunately she possessed the requisite physical force and executive ability and pursued a course of discipline that was salutary in its effects, but we think under the circumstances, a more vigorous course of treatment would have been justifiable and productive of still better results. The teacher labored faithfully and well, and the progress made was as good as could be expected considering the demoralized condition of the school when she assumed charge of it. There exists among certain members of this school a spirit of insubordination and a disregard for the feelings of their teacher that is anything but commendable and detracts much from the usefulness and progress of the schools. To subdue this spirit and overcome the evil the teacher needs the hearty co-operation of every parent in the district.

DISTRICT NO 3.

Dr. J. C. EASTMAN, *Prudential Committee*.

Teacher, Miss Mary Alice Nichols. The interest manifested by the parents and the good feeling existing between parents, teacher and pupils made this school a peculiarly pleasant one. The general progress of the school was good, some branches above the average, while in others a little lack of thoroughness was noticed. A little more thorough discipline in this school is desirable.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

NELSON ORDWAY, Esq., Prudential Committee.

Teacher, Miss Annie E. George. This school is under excellent discipline and the faithful efforts of the teacher are apparent on every hand. The increased number of pupils in the winter term is due to accessions from other districts. Four towns and six districts being represented in this school.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

This district labored under peculiar difficulties during the first part of the year from its hampered condition, but with commendable zeal inaugurated and sustained a private school for a term of six weeks, consisting of six pupils and taught by Miss Abbie Randall. In some respects this was not a very promising field of labor but the teacher gave her best efforts to the work. In process of time Horace Adams was appointed prudential committee. Teacher, Miss Alice M. Little. The teacher in taking charge of the school resolved to labor to the best of her abilities for the improvement of her pupils, but failed to secure that control over her school as was desirable. The progress made by the school, considering its limited advantages compared favorably with other schools. This school in the past has been mainly in the hands of inexperienced teachers..

What it especially needs is, to be in charge of an experienced teacher and a good disciplinarian.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Frank P. Webber, *Prudential Committee.*

Miss Sophia Moulton, *Teacher.*

The school when in charge of this veteran teacher is always a success.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Joseph H. Grant, *Prudential Committee.*

Miss Hattie K. Friend, *Teacher.*

She came well recommended, was wide awake, energetic, enjoyed her work and secured the good will of her pupils. Her method of teaching was interesting, instructive and quite satisfactory in its results. The second term was taught by Miss Almira J. Eaton, a teacher of experience and ability. The result was an excellent term of school with improved discipline.

In review I would say that our teachers have been faithful and industrious. A majority of them rank high in their profession, four of them have received the benefits of Normal instruction, and the work by them performed furnished good evidence of the practical value of that course of training. Let our criticisms be tempered with charity and remember that teachers are not responsible for irregularity of attendance or defective training at home and that it requires superior tact and ability to properly govern a pupil in school that is not under good discipline at home.

Our prudential committees have been faithful in the discharge of their duties, and we commend the course adopted by most of them in employing the same teacher throughout the year, believing that, as a general rule, it is for the best interests of our schools so to do. If our present school district system is to be continued, some measures should be taken by which a more equal distribution of school money could be made in districts Nos. 2, 3 and 4, as the following figures plainly show : Amount of school money raised by taxation for the current year and apportioned to those districts is as follows: To No. 2 \$293.82; No. 3, \$123.72; No. 4, \$252.74. Average for the districts \$223.42. Could Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5 be included in three districts and the money equally divided between them, each district would then receive an amount nearly equal to that now received by No. 4.

Such an arrangement would give each district three terms of school a year under the charge of first-class teachers.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Our High School is governed by a Board of Trustees and does not properly come under the jurisdiction of your committee, and I am well aware that it is not generally referred to in the annual report, still it holds an important place in our educational system, and I trust it will not be out of place for me to briefly refer to it in this connection. Since the organization of the school in 1875, down to the close of the last year, covering the space of six years, one hundred and fourteen different pupils have attended the school. Of this number only seven have completed the full course of study and received diplomas. It is hoped in the future that a much larger per cent of the pupils will finish the course, and from present indications we infer that such will be the case.

The first four years of the school were under the tuition of Miron P. Dickey, A. M., whose faithful labors are fresh in the minds of most of you, since which time the school has been in the charge of Forrest E. Merrill, A. M., who has continued the work so well commenced by his predecessor.

The Trustees have endeavored to keep the school up to the maximum number of pupils by pursuing this course, more classes have been formed than the teacher can well attend to, or is profitable for a school of this kind.

From careful observation in the past we are forced to the conclusion that the preparatory course of study allowed to be taken here, can be pursued at far greater advantage in the district schools. It is very desirable to

raise the standard of scholarship. This can be accomplished by reducing the number of pupils, but a far better way is, for every pupil that enters the school to firmly resolve if possible, to persevere to the end and receive a diploma. The school is in need of apparatus and books of reference which the Trustees would gladly furnish if they had the means at hand, but they are under the necessity of practicing the most rigid economy to give you three terms of school and keep the premises in proper repair.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. LITTLE, *Supt. School Com.*

Hampstead, March 1, 1882.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE SCHOOLS.

No. of district.	No. of terms.	Wages per month including board.	Length in weeks.	No. of pupils.	Average attendance.	Reading.	Spelling.	Pennmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Composition.	Drawing.	Vocal Music.	Physiology.	Algebra.	Philosophy.
1	{	1	\$26	10	11	8	11	11	11	11	8	5	5		11			
		2	26	11	11	7	11	11	11	8	5	5	5		11			
		3	26	9	9	8	9	9	7	9	6	2	5					
2	{	1	34	11	47	43	47	47	25	37	35	16	21		40	4	2	
		2	34	11	46	43	46	46	25	36	34	15	20		40		4	
		3	34	10	47	43	47	47	25	38	36	16	21		40		3	
3	{	1	28	10	24	20	24	24	9	12	12	6	10					
		2	28	10	19	18	19	19	9	12	12	6	9					
4	{	1	31	11	21	18	21	21	14	18	13	9	1	12			1	
		2	31	12	20	17	20	20	18	18	13	9		12				
		3	31	14	29	23	29	29	23	26	18	9	1	17				1
5	{	1	21	10	10	8	10	10	6	8	4	3	3		8			
6	{	1	24	11	21	19	21	21	12	16	10	3	1	2				
		2	24	10	18	17	18	18	10	13	8	2	1	1	2			
7	{	1	24	12	19	17	19	19	17	17	9	6		9				
		2	28	12	20	16	20	20	18	18	9	6		9				

No. of children in town between the ages of five and fifteen years not attending any school, 5.

ROLL OF HONOR

NAMES OF THOSE NOT ABSENT OR TARDY FOR THREE TERMS.

Annie R. Emerson,
Etna E. Collins,

Arthur A. Brown,
Walter S. Brown.

NAMES OF THOSE NOT ABSENT OR TARDY FOR TWO TERMS.

David Bailey,
Charlie Bailey,
Jennie Dyer,
M. Abbie Marble,
Helen P. Lake,
Wm. Lester Hall,
George A. Hoyt,
J. Willie Carr,
Willie F. Spollett,
Arthur W. Keezer,

Ada Emerson,
Mamie Emerson,
Emma Nichols,
Flora Nichols,
Linnie M. Townsend,
Eugene Marble,
Willie Marble,
Alfred S. Morgan,
Frank L. Webber.

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NAMES OF THOSE NOT ABSENT OR TARDY FOR ONE TERM.

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Nettie M. Follansbee,
Fannie Emersen,
Carrie Randlett,
Ina B. Page,
Laura Bailey,
Horace Bailey,
Mamie C. Lake,
Fannie B. Williams,
Charles P. Pressey,
Mackie C. Hart,
Wallace L. Haggett,
Walter A. Allen,
Wallace Keezer,
Freddie Simonds,

Arthur Emerson,
Charlie Grover,
Freddie Grover,
Charlie Foote,
Erwin Page,
Harry King,
Charlie Marble,
Jakie Townsend,
Maggie A. Calef,
Frances S. Buzzell,
Etta F. LeeRoek,
Mary E. Merrick,
Nellie Pearson,
Viola F. Simonds.

Names of pupils over ten years of age who have been absent more than three weeks during a single term.

Aggregate for the year
over ten weeks.

Aggregate for the year
over nine weeks.

{ Eugene H. Hyde,
{ Scott Hyde,
{ Fred W. Corson.
{ Nellie Bragdon,
{ Delia M. Spollett.
{ Carrie B. Richardson.
{ John W. Eastman,
{ Evaline McLaren,
{ Henry A. Robinson,
{ Arthur W. Keezer.

TOWN WARRANT.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Hampstead, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said town, on the second Tuesday of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

Article 3. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to defray town charges for the year ensuing

Article 4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay town debt and interest.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire money for the use of the town.

Article 6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for school purposes in addition to what the law requires.

Article 7. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for keeping highways and bridges in repair.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary to repair the steeple of the town house, and the entry of said house, which leads to the hall in the second story, and make such repairs upon said hall, as to make it suitable and safe for the purposes for which it is used.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of twenty-five dollars for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred in decorating the soldiers graves on the thirtieth day of May next.

Article 10. To see what action the town will take in relation to underdraining and improving the condition of the Cemetery in the centre of the town.

Article 11. To hear the reports of the Auditors and Superintending School Committee, and act thereon.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-fourth day of February, A. D. eighteen hundred and eighty-two.

{ L. S. }

AARON H. DAVIS, } Selectmen
JOSEPH H. GRANT, } of
DANIEL N. HOYT, } Hampstead.

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